

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

PATRICIA A. RICHARDSON,

Plaintiff,

v.

STARK & STARK, et al.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 14-5291 (MAS) (TJB)

**MEMORANDUM ORDER ON
APPLICATION TO PROCEED
WITHOUT PREPAYMENT OF FEES**

This matter comes before the Court on the application of Plaintiff Patricia A. Richardson ("Plaintiff") to proceed without prepayment of fees under 28 U.S.C. § 1915. (Application, ECF No. 1-1.) The Court will grant the application on the strength of Plaintiff's allegation of indigence but dismiss the Complaint (ECF No. 1) for lack of jurisdiction. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(h)(3) ("If the court determines at any time that it lacks subject-matter jurisdiction, the court must dismiss the action.").

Plaintiff asserts a claim for damages against Stark & Stark; Kennedy, Campbell, Lipski & Dochney; Styliades, Jackson & Burghardt ("Defendants") for alleged misconduct during the deposition of an unidentified individual. More specifically, Plaintiff claims that "Defendants knowing[ly] and willing[ly] conspired to execute unethical and unlawful acts of prejudice against me and my eyewitness Richard Hopson." (Compl. 2.) The Complaint's jurisdictional statement provides that "[i]n a deposition [on] March 2, 2010[,], Defendants claimed liability[;] my representative along with Defendants conspired to proceed as if it was a dispute." (*Id.* at 1.)

Based on these allegations, the Court cannot discern a basis for subject matter jurisdiction in this Court. As a result, Plaintiff's Complaint is dismissed for lack of jurisdiction.

Accordingly,

IT IS, on this 3rd day of August 2015, **ORDERED** that:

1. Plaintiff's application to proceed *in forma pauperis* is hereby granted pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915;
2. The Clerk of the Court shall file the Complaint without prepayment of fees or security;
3. The Complaint is dismissed for lack of subject matter jurisdiction; and
4. The Clerk of the Court shall mark this matter CLOSED.



MICHAEL A. SHIPP
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE